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SUBJECT: 30TH UNGA- POSSIBLE US INITIATIVES IN THE SECOND
COMMITTEE

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1. THE SECOND COMMITTEE HAS NOW COMPLETED SIX WEEKS OF ITS ELEVEN-WEEK SCHEDULE. AS THE DEBATES HAVE PROGRESSED, SOME 25 RESOLUTIONS HAVE BEEN CIRCULATED INFORMALLY ON A WIDE VARIETY OF ISSUES. MOST OF THESE HAVE BEEN INITIATED BY LDC ACTIVISTS WITHOUT MUCH REGARD TO THE VIEWS OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. THE SECOND COMMITTEE CONSULTATIONS ON THE RESOLUTIONS HAVE ALSO TENDED TO SLIP BACK INTO USELESS ARGUMENTS ABOUT DISAGREED PRINCIPLES AND SEMANTICS INVOLVING THE NIEO, CERDS, AND SO FORTH. IN THESE CONSULTATIONS AND IN A SERIES OF BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS, WE HAVE BEEN PUSHING FOR CONTINUATION OF THE IMPROVED RELATIONS BETWEEN DC'S AND LDC'S THAT MARKED THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION. THE FAVORABLE ATMOSPHERE RESULTING FROM THE SESSION HAS NOT YET DISSIPATED SIGNIFICANTLY. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE SECOND COMMITTEE RUNS THE RISK OF GETTING INTO DEEP WATER, FOR EXAMPLES, IN THE REVIEW AND APPRAISAL

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OF THE IDS AS EXPLAINED SEPTTEL. DEBATES ON THIS

SUBJECT AND ON A NUMBER OF RESOLUTIONS CAN, AS THE DEPARTMENT HAS POINTED OUT, REOPEN ISSUES DISCUSSED THOROUGHLY IN THE SPECIAL SESSION AND GENERALLY PRODUCE NEGATIVE RESULTS IN TERMS OF US INTERESTS AND OVERALL NORTH SOUTH RELATIONS.

2. THE REFTTEL MAKES CLEAR THAT POSSIBILITIES FOR US INITIATIVES IN THE SECOND COMMITTEE (AS SUGGESTED IN USUN 5036) A43 IN FACT QUITE LIMITED FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS. THE MISSION ACCEPTS THIS FACT BUT WELCOMES THE DEPARTMENT'S SUGGESTION FOR A MAJOR STATEMENT ON MOVES WE HAVE MADE OR WILL BE MAKING TO IMPLEMENT THE US PROPOSALS AT THE SPECIAL SESSION. IN FACT, IT MIGHT BE BEST TO SPEAK TO IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SPECIAL SESSION RESOLUTION AS A WHOLE. SUCH A STATEMENT COULD HELP REFOCUS SECOND COMMITTEE DEBATES IN A CONSTRUCTIVE WAY. MORE IMPORTANTLY-- IF WE CAN CONVEY A REAL SENSE OF MOVEMENT -- IT COULD HAVE AN EXCELLENT IMPACT ON LDC ATTITUDES IN THE UN GENERALLY.

3. WE WOULD WISH TO CONSIDER CAREFULLY THE EXACT SCENARIO FOR PRESENTATION OF SUCH A STATEMENT IN THE UN BUT IT SHOULD BE DONE SOON IF IT IS TO HAVE THE DESIRED EFFECT.

4. PLEASE ADVISE.
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